

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of:

Inventor(s) : Jun-ichi ESAKI *et al.*
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Serial Number : New
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Filed : December 16, 2003 (herewith)
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For : METHOD OF PRODUCING POLYGONAL RING-
: SHAPED MACHINE PARTS HAVING COMPLEX
: CROSS-SECTION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

The Honorable Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

December 16, 2003

Dear Sir:

Prior to an examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified application as set forth on the attached sheets.